

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Robert C. “Bobby” Scott, (D-VA-3), sent a letter Friday to Attorney General Michael Mukasey concerning requests made by several jurisdictions in the Commonwealth of Virginia for changes to polling procedures. Any such changes require “pre-clearance” by the Department of Justice under the federal Voting Rights Act before they can become effective.

The text of Congressman Scott’s letter to the Attorney General is below:

The Honorable Michael B. Mukasey

Attorney General of the United States

U.S. Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Mukasey:

I understand that there have been several requests for pre-clearance, under the Voting Rights Act requirements, of polling procedure changes by jurisdictions in Virginia for the upcoming presidential election. I write to request a list of the jurisdictions that have requested such changes together with the changes they requested and any actions you have taken on those requests.

I am also requesting that you respond to this letter no later than Friday, October 24, 2008.

Very truly yours,

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ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

Member of Congress

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